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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Jess KOEHLER

OPTICAL SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING A USEFUL LIGHT BEAM

INFLUENCED BY POLARIZATION Assignee: CARL ZEISS SMT AG

Our Ref. Q78708

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising twenty-two (22) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and three (3) sheets of drawings. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified), and three (3) references. Copies of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, the filing of this application on **December 8, 2003**, is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority.



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Priority is claimed from:

Country

Application No

Filing Date

Germany

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December 6, 2002

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC Attorneys for Applicant

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